## Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

April 11, 2018

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, DC 20500-0001

Dear President Trump:

We write to bring to your attention the April 10, 2018, letter from Governor Matt Bevin requesting a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. We respectfully urge you to give this request full and timely consideration.

From February 21 through March 21, 2018, the Commonwealth of Kentucky experienced a severe weather system that produced episodes of torrential rain, which caused tornadoes, flooding, landslides and mudslides. The impact of this weather system has severely affected 35 counties in the Commonwealth, causing extensive damage exceeding the ability of the state government and localities to effectively respond.

As the Governor conveyed in his letter, the Commonwealth has well surpassed the \$6.3 million expenditure threshold required for consideration of federal disaster assistance in accordance with the provisions of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

We ask for your timely consideration of the Governor's disaster declaration request, which would aid Kentucky communities and families severely impacted by this most recent disaster.

Thank you in advance for your prompt action on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mitch McConnell

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Rand Paul

UNITED STATES SENATOR

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